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***PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME***

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for an Extension of Time of three (3) months to respond to the Examiner's Action dated September 5, 2007 for the above-identified patent application. A check in the amount of \$525.00 is submitted herewith for the Government Fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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